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vacantly

vacant-ly, *adv.* in a vacant manner.
vacate, *v.t.*; vacated, *pt.*, *pp.*; vacating, *ppr.*
 [L. *vacuus*, pp. of *vacare*, to be free, empty.]
 1. in law, to annul; to make void.
 2. to make vacant; specifically, (a) to cause (an office, position, etc.) to be unfilled or unoccupied, as by resignation; (b) to leave (a house, room, etc.) uninhabited or untenanted; to give up the occupancy of.

vacate, *v.i.* 1. to make an office, position, place, etc. vacant.
 2. to leave; to go away. [Colloq.]

vacation, *n.* [Fr., from L. *vacatio* (-onis), freedom, from *vacuus*, pp. of *vacare*, to be free.]
 1. the act of making void, vacant, or of no validity; as, the *vacation* of a charter; also, the act of leaving without an occupant. [Rare.]

2. a formal recess of judicial proceedings; the space of time between the end of one term of court and the beginning of the next; non-term.

3. freedom from any activity; a rest; a respite; an intermission.
 4. a period of rest and freedom from work, study, etc.; a time of recreation, usually a specific interval in a year; as, two weeks' *vacation*.

vacation, *v.i.* 1. to take a vacation.
 2. to pass one's vacation; as, he *vacationed* in Maine last summer.

vacation-er, *n.* a vacationist.

vacation-ist, *n.* one taking a vacation, especially a person who is traveling or at a resort.

vacat-ur, *n.* [LL., it is vacated.] an order of a court vacating, or annulling, a proceeding.

vac-ár, *n.* a cow house, dairy, or cow pasture. [Obs.]

vac-cig'e-nous, *a.* yielding vaccine.

vac-cin'á, *n.* vaccinia; cowpox.

vac-cin-ál, *a.* pertaining to or caused by vaccine or vaccination.

vac-cin-áte, *v.t.*; vaccinated, *pt.*, *pp.*; vaccinating, *ppr.* to inoculate with a specific vaccine in order to prevent or lessen the effect of some disease; specifically, to inoculate with cowpox vaccine in order to immunize against smallpox.

vac-cin-áte, *v.i.* to perform vaccination.

vac-cin-á-tion, *n.* 1. the act or process of vaccinating; protective inoculation.
 2. the scar on the skin where the vaccine has been applied.

vac-cin-á-tion-ist, *n.* one in favor of vaccination.

vac-cin-á-tor, *n.* one who or that which vacinates; especially, an instrument used for scarifying the skin where the vaccine is to be applied.

vac-cine, *n.* [L. *vaccinus*, from *vaccia*, a cow.]
 1. of or pertaining to cows; derived from cows; as, the *vacine* disease or cowpox. [Rare.]

2. pertaining to vaccination or vaccinia.

vac-cine, *n.* 1. lymph, or a preparation of this, from a cowpox vesicle, containing the causative virus and used in vaccination against cowpox or smallpox.

2. any preparation of dead bacteria introduced into the body to produce immunity to a specific disease by causing the formation of antibodies.

vaccine therapy; treatment of disease by the use of vaccine.

vac-cin-el'á, *n.* a spurious form of vaccinia not producing the required effect.

vac-cin'í-á, *n.* [L. *vaccinus*, of a cow.] cowpox.

vac-cin'í-á-cé-ae, *n.pl.* a family of shrubby plants, including the blueberries, huckleberries, cranberries, etc.

vac-cin'í-á-ce'ous, *a.* of or belonging to the *Vacciniaceæ*.

vac-cin-i-fér, *n.* [vaccina, and L. *ferre*, to bear.] the source of vaccine virus; also, an instrument used in the process of vaccination.

vac-cin-i-ó'lá, *n.* a secondary eruption resembling that of smallpox, sometimes following vaccination.

vac-cin-ist, *n.* one in favor of vaccination; also, one who performs vaccination.

vac-cin-i-um, *n.* [L., the whortleberry.] a genus of plants, family *Vacciniaceæ*, of which it is the type; the blueberries.

vac-cin-i-zá-tion, *n.* repeated vaccination with the same vaccine until the virus has no further effect.

vac-cin-o-syph'i-lis, *n.* syphilis transmitted by syphilitic impurity in the vaccine.

vac-he, *n.* a cow or other beast. [Obs.]

vac-he, *v.i.* to yell, brüte, turn, up; cry, myth; cat, machine, ace, church, chord; gem, afiger, (Fr.) bon, as; this, thin; azure

vagabond

vac-u-um bráke, see under *brake*.

vac-u-um cléán'ér, a machine for cleaning carpets, floors, upholstery, etc. by suction.

vac-u-um gáuge, an instrument for indicating difference between the external atmospheric pressure and the pressure inside a partially exhausted vessel, as a cooled steam boiler in which the steam has condensed, the receiver of an air pump, etc.

vac-u-um má-chíne, in mechanics and refrigeration, the equipment used in producing and maintaining a vacuum.

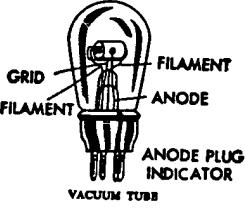
vac-u-um pan, in the processes of making sugar, condensed milk, etc., a large metal vessel having a steam jacket, used in the evaporation of the syrup, milk, etc.

vac-u-um pump, 1. a pump used to draw air or gas out of sealed space.
 2. a pump for water, worked by the sucking effect of condensing steam.

vac-u-um sweep'ér, a vacuum cleaner.

vac-u-um tank, a tank in which the fuel from the fuel tank is drawn by vacuum pressure so that it is in a position to be fed, usually by gravity, to the carburetor; used in some types of internal-combustion engines.

vac-u-um tûbe, 1. a sealed glass or metal tube containing highly rarefied air or gas and a cathode (or filament), an anode (or plate), and a grid for controlling the flow of electrons from one to the other: it is used in radio, television, etc. as a rectifier, detector, amplifier, etc.; electron tube.



2. a sealed tube having the air or gas in it exhausted to a high degree and containing metallic electrodes between which electric discharges may be passed.

vac-u-um valve, 1. a reversed safety valve, opening inwardly to the pressure of the atmosphere when there is a negative pressure in the boiler.

2. a vacuum tube. [Brit.]

Vá-dan'tés, *n.pl.* [L. *vadantes*, pl. of *vadans* (-antis), ppr. of *vadare*, to wade.] a former group of birds, including those which wade, swim, run, or walk.

váde, *v.i.* to vanish; to pass away; to fade. [Obs.]

vádé mé'cum, [L., go with me.] a book or other thing that a person carries with him as a constant companion; specifically, a manual; a handbook.

vad'l-mó-ny, *n.* in old law, the giving of a *vaduum*; bail. [Obs.]

vá'di-um, *n.* [L. *vas*, *vadis*, surety, bail.] in Scots law, a pledge or security.

vádium *vivum*; a living pledge, differing from a *vaduum mortuum* or mortgage in that the creditor retains possession of the debtor's property until the debt has been paid from the income of it.

váe, *n.* same as *voe*.

váe víg'tis, [L.] woe to the conquered.

váf-froux, *a.* crafty; cunning. [Obs.]

vag'a-bond, *a.* [Fr., from L. *vagabundus*, adj., strolling about, from *vagari*, to wander.]

1. moving from place to place, with no fixed abode; wandering.

2. living an unsettled, drifting, or irresponsible life; vagrant.

3. shiftless; worthless; good-for-nothing.

4. of or characteristic of a wandering, shiftless, or irresponsible way of life.

5. aimlessly following an irregular course or path; drifting.

6. of or pertaining to the *Vagabundæ*.

vag'a-bond, *n.* 1. a person who wanders from place to place, having no fixed abode.

2. a tramp; vagrant; wandering beggar.

3. an idle, disreputable, or shiftless person; a ne'er-do-well; a rascal.

4. any one of the *Vagabundæ*.

5. a grass moth, *Crambus vulgivagellus*.

vag'a-bond, *v.i.*; vagabonded, *pt.*, *pp.*; vagabonding, *ppr.* to wander about in an idle manner; to play the vagabond.